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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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	Examiner Ted M. Wang	Art Unit 2611	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 07 January 2005.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-4,6,8,10-23,25,27 and 29-31 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-4,6,8,10-23,25,27 and 29-31 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 10 July 2003 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ . |
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Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>07 January 2005</u> . | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
| | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ . |

DETAILED ACTION

Preliminary Amendment

1. The preliminary amendment filed on 01/07/2005 has been entered.

Claim Objections

2. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities:
 - Claim 1, line 8, after "demodulation" insert --- of the sampled digital signal ---.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.
4. Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-23, 25, 27 and 29-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph, because there is indefinite term for this limitation in the claim.
 - Claims 1 and 20, the numbers "n" and "m" have not been defined. It is not clear that the numbers "n" and "m" are integers or fraction.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-23, 25, 27 and 29-31 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.
6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

- The prior art fails to teach an apparatus of Claims 1 and 20 that specifically comprises the following:
 - The instant application is deemed to be directed to a non-obvious improvement over the admitted prior art of the instant application and the invention patented in Pat. No. US 5,130,952, US 5,719,944, US 5,732,044 and US 6,633,617. The improvement comprises that

With regard claims 1 and 20, "prior to demodulating the sampled digital signal, compensates for a Doppler increased frequency by decreasing a cycle of m samples by one sample period every n samples and compensates for a Doppler decreased frequency by increasing the cycle of m samples by one sample period every n samples." as recited in combination with other limitation as claimed in the claims 1 and 20, respectively.

US 5,130,952, US 5,719,944, US 5,732,044 and US 6,633,617 teach a Doppler compensation method with oversampling the Doppler shifted incoming signal and then computing a factor for a decimator to down-sampling the over-sampled Doppler shifted signal to remove or compensate the Doppler shift. None of them, individually or in combination, teaches above features.

Conclusion

7. Reference(s) US 5,130,952, US 5,719,944, US 5,732,044 and US 6,633,617 are cited because they are put pertinent to the Doppler compensation is a communication system. However, none of references teach detailed connection as recited in claim.
8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ted M. Wang whose telephone number is 571-272-3053. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh Fan can be reached on 571-272-3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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